

No. 6397	號七十九百八千六第	日三初月二十年卯己緒光	HONG KONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 1880.	三拜禮	號四十月正英	港香	PRICE \$2. PER MONTH.
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INTIMATIONS.

NEXT ENTERTAINMENT.
will be given on
TURSDAY, the 17th-January, 1880, at
8.30 P.M.
the Distinguished Patronage of Colonel
H.B. Lieut.-Colonel HALL, R.A., and
Colonel GENDERS, 27th Infantry.

EVENING IN FAIRYLAND
WITH
"PROFESSOR" LLOILO.
kindly consented to appear, and will
some NEW LILLIPUS never before seen
in the Colony.

Prices
ONE DOLLAR

Hong, 13th January, 1880. 130
 "OUR BOYS"
 MEDY COMPANY
 will arrive per steamship "TEUCEE"
 on or about the
 20th JANUARY, 1880.

FREE PERFORMANCES ONLY
IN HONGKONG
prior to proceeding to Singapore.
FIRST PERFORMANCE will be the
PARKING COMEDY, in Three Acts,
"A LESSON IN LOVE"

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY
will perform
"THE SOBBERER"
at the

on
FRIDAY
the 23rd January, at 9 P.M.

Lots may be purchased and places secured
at Mrs. LAKE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s on and
SATURDAY, the 17th January.
W. WHEELER,
Honorary Secretary,
Buckingham Palace, 30th December, 1895.

“CHINA”
 are for the above place at 4 P.M. TO-
 the 14th instant.
 A. McIVER,
 Superintendent,
 Hongkong, 14th January, 1880.
 STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
 P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
 “GEELONG”.

"HAILONG,"
 in Goods, will be despatched for the above
 on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at
 Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,

SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHEW.
E Steamship
"NAMOA,"
a Westoy, will be despatched for the
Ports on SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at
right.
Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPELAK & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 18th January, 1889. [148

SSONS given in ENGLISH, also
FRENCH (fluent, acquired in France),
sa. J. M. HANLON, Victoria School.
Ngkong, 14th January, 1889. [146]

STEEL PENS.
GOLD MEDAL, PARIS, 1878.
Sold by all Stationers and Dealers.
TO LOAN.

THOUSAND DOLLARS, on Mortgage at Reasonable Interest. Address "care of G. F. O., Hongkong, Hongkong, 13th January, 1880. [188
NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.
COMPANY.


Tls. 15.13 PER SHARE,
1 1/2 % ON CONTRIBUTORY PREMIA,
are now declared.
DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be payable at the HONGKONG
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on
after FRIDAY, the 16th instant, until
date the TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Order of the Court of Directors,
J. KENNARD DAVIS,
Acting Secretary.
Bombay, 7th January, 1880. [1w140
NOTICE.
The undersigned requests that all CLAIMS

ON be sent to him on or before January
instant.

CHARLES C. COHEN.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1880. [125]



ALL TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned until Noon on MON-
day the 19th instant, for the SUPPLY of
SAND, WOOD, LIME, FIRECLAY,
BRICKS, BAMBOO BASKETS, CHAR-
COAL (Chinese), to H.M. NAVAL YARD.
Further Particulars may be obtained on ap-

Naval Yard,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1886. [126]

NOTICE.

the Undersigned **CHEANG HONG LIM** do

...and whereupon I have, my Agents
...inghous for certain purposes only, are NOT
...POWERED TO CONTRACT any DEBT in my
...e, or become security for any Person, or to
...sign, or execute any Bill, Note, Bond, or
...security in my Name, and that I shall not
...myself RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT
...made payable either on Bill, Note, Bond,

I, **CHEANG HONG LIM**,
 Singapore, 14th November, 1879: [1898]

French Government, and that if it was the vessel of the Government of France, it was not to carry letters or other postal communications which would entitle the vessel to the privileges given under the 5th article of the Convention. It seems to me that there is absolutely no clear proof in the evidence that this was the case within the said privileges conferred by Article 5.

—So far is this clear proof from having been found that there is no evidence whatever to show that if it was the vessel of France, it was the vessel that the contract between the Messageries Company and the French Government was of the same character, with the contract between our Government and the P. & O. Company. The contract in my submission is a particular contract in giving a certain subsidy of £100,000 a year for the entire service and leaves it to the P. & O. Company to employ any fit means so that they may perform the service, and it is not possible to say that they are not doing it. It seems to me most probable that the contract between the French Government and the Messageries Maritimes Company must be similar in form to the contract and that privilege is a special privilege. I am not aware of any instance that is expressly abridged, and therefore that the *Andromeda* does not come within the privilege of Art. 5 of the Convention.

—It seems probable that the effort made to establish a postal history argument in 1872 was not persisted in because the Treaty for a general Postal Union had then begun to be considered and it was probably thought that the creation of 1856 might be, but in fact it was not. It was not a postal history argument, but it was not disposed of by the Convention of Paris of June 1878. However, these difficulties remain unsolved.

—But assume for a moment that this vessel was the vessel of the Government of France, and that it was therefore to be treated as a vessel of war in respect within the Post Offices of the two countries; it seems to me that under Article 5 it is only within the convention when she is carrying correspondence between the two countries. The correspondence between a Post Office under the English Crown and a Post Office within French territory; but the evidence that the *Andromeda* was when she received Hongkong returning from and was a vessel of the French Government, the French Government from Shanghai in China, neither French nor an English port and she is not employed in execution of Art. 1 & 2, and therefore not constituted a vessel of war under Art. 5.

